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For: **THIN DOCSIS IN-BAND MANAGEMENT FOR INTERACTIVE HFC SERVICE DELIVERY**

Honorable Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, the undersigned would like to make the following prior art references of record in the above-identified patent application. The undersigned believes that some of these references may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

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Each reference listed herein may be accompanied by an explanation of its relevance. While this explanation is believed to generally reflect the contents of the references which the undersigned believes a reasonable examiner might consider relevant and material to the examination of the above-identified patent application, it is not intended that the examiner rely on the description as unfailingly accurate or complete. A copy of each reference is enclosed for the express purpose of providing the examiner with an opportunity to perform an independent

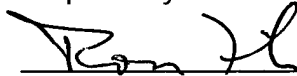
evaluation to arrive at an independent assessment of its relevance and materiality, if any, to the claimed subject matter.

Cited Art

Schneidewend et al., U.S. Patent 6,249,320, Issued 6/19/2001, Filed 12/22/98 as a CIP of U.S. patent application S/N 09/057,646, filed 4/9/98 (now US Patent 6,111,611): See Figure 1 for an STB that can demultiplex several sub-channels from an MPEG multiplex stream.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROP.
A	US 6,249,320 B1	Jun. 19, 2001	Schneidewend, et al.	348	569	Dec. 22, 1998
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